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TWIN PLATE DEPLOYMENT

TARABULUS AIR DEFENSE BARRACKS, LIBYA (SWN)

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1. SIGNIFICANCE: THIS IS THE FIRST DEPLOYMENT OF THE TWIN PLATE MOBILE TROPOSCATTER COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM IN LIBYA. (SWN)

2. REMARKS: FOUR R-410 (TWIN PLATE) TROPOSCATTER RELAY SETS WERE OBSERVED DEPLOYED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN LIBYA AT TARABULUS AIR DEFENSE BARRACKS ON IMAGERY [REDACTED] THE TWIN PLATE SETS (THREE IN TRAVEL MODE AND ONE PARTIALLY ERECTED) WERE PARKED IN A SEPARATELY SECURED AREA OF THE FACILITY THAT ALSO CONTAINS A COMMAND POST BUNKER. ALSO OBSERVED IN THIS AREA WERE SEVEN R-405 (NOT ALL ANNOTATED), ONE R-409, AND 47 UNIDENTIFIED RADIO VAN TRUCKS (NOT ANNOTATED), INDICATING THAT AN OPERATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS UNIT IS PRESENT AT THIS FACILITY. THE TWIN PLATE SYSTEM WAS FIRST OBSERVED IN LIBYA [REDACTED] AT TARABULUS SAM DEPOT [REDACTED], BUT HAS NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY SEEN DEPLOYED. (SWN)

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ANALYST'S COMMENTS: THE CLOSE PROXIMITY OF THIS COMMUNICATIONS UNIT TO AN AIR DEFENSE-RELATED FACILITY INDICATES THAT THIS FACILITY PROBABLY FUNCTIONS AS AN AIR DEFENSE-RELATED COMMAND POST AND COMMUNICATIONS CENTER. (SWN) [REDACTED]

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3. [REDACTED] COORDINATES 32-52-05N 013-21-44E (S)

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